

UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

24 January 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Document Division, OCR

ATTENTION :

SUBJECT : Release of Estimates to NASA

1. As indicated in the attached letter to the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), USIB has authorized the release to NASA of the following National Intelligence Estimates:

NIE 11-2A-61

The Soviet Atomic Energy Program; Top Secret, [REDACTED]

Memorandum to Holders of Annexes A and B, NIE 11-4-61

Main Trends in Soviet Capabilities and Policies, 1961-1966, Military Annexes A and B; Top Secret

SNIE 11-14-61

The Soviet Strategic Military Posture, 1961-1967; Top Secret, Formerly Restricted Data

2. Please forward to NASA one copy each of the above estimates, together with the attached letter to the Administrator, NASA.

3. Kindly advise us as to the date that these papers are passed to NASA.

Attachment

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24 January 1962

Mr. James E. Webb  
Administrator  
National Aeronautics and Space Administration  
1520 H Street, N. W.  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Webb:

Pursuant to actions of the United States Intelligence Board (USIB), and in response to the interests which NASA representatives have indicated in intelligence in certain fields, we are forwarding the following National Intelligence Estimates:

NIE 11-2A-61

The Soviet Atomic Energy Program;  
Top Secret, [REDACTED]

Memorandum to Holders  
of Annexes A and B,  
NIE 11-4-61

Main Trends in Soviet Capabilities  
and Policies, 1961-1966, Military  
Annexes A and B; Top Secret

SNIE 11-14-61

The Soviet Strategic Military  
Posture, 1961-1967; Top Secret,  
Formerly Restricted Data

We wish to note for information that NIE 11-2A-61 and SNIE 11-14-61, as transmitted herewith, were only recently completed and approved for issuance by USIB although, for administrative reasons, they carry dates which pertain to other earlier Board actions on papers dealing with this subject matter.

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As we have noted in previous correspondence, National Intelligence Estimates are treated as sensitive documents and given special security handling and limited distribution. It is our understanding that your office is in a position to meet technical security requirements for the storage and handling of materials bearing the classification of the attached papers and that they will be made available only to appropriately cleared personnel in your organization with a need-to-know.

Sincerely ,



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Enclosures

(This letter may be downgraded to Secret when separated from enclosures.)

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

15 January 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT: Release of Selected National Intelligence Estimates  
to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration  
(NASA)

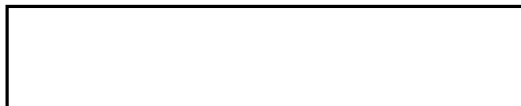
1. With the approval of USIB a number of NIE's have been released to NASA dealing with guided missiles, space vehicles, atomic energy, and overall Soviet military and scientific policies and capabilities.

2. The Board of National Estimates recommends that USIB approve the release of the following additional estimates to the Director of NASA:

SNIE 11-14-61: THE SOVIET STRATEGIC MILITARY  
POSTURE, 1961-1967 (Formerly Restricted  
Data version)

MEMORANDUM TO HOLDERS OF ANNEXES A AND D, NIE 11-4-61:  
"MAIN TRENDS IN SOVIET CAPABILITIES AND POLICIES,  
1961-1966"

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